

Commissioner Jane Henney
Docket No. oop-1211/cp1
FDA Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305)
5630 Fishers Lane, Room 1061
Rockville, MD 20852

5/2/00

6475 MAY 11 AIO:11
Ms. Nora Cousins
507 Melvin St.
Petaluma CA 94952-2465

Dear Commissioner Henney,

In an effort to be informed about Genetically Engineered food, we would like a moratorium on all new GE foods since there are no requirements for long-term studies exploring their impact on human health or the environment. We also ask that all GE foods be labeled so that we have a choice to buy them or not, and that they have a mandatory pre-market safety testing.

We are concerned about GE foods for several reasons: Studies show GE foods could create new toxins, antibiotic resistance, allergic reactions, and other dietary risks for consumers, and therefore should not be "generally recognized as safe (GRAS)." GE foods are shown to be a significant threat to the environment, and GE agriculture puts organic foods at risk -- organic crops are being contaminated by 'genetic drift'.

We thank you for your help with these GE foods concerns.

Sincerely,

Nora Cousins

00P-1211

C355



Commissioner Jare Henney

Docket No. 00p1211 /dp1

FDA Docket Mgt Branch

5630 Fishers Lane, Rm 1061
Rockville, MD 20852

20857/0001 